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Additional Examples Highlighting ORR Research in 1956

1. Possible Soviet Guided Missile Testing Ranges

Priority attention has been given to Soviet progress in guided missile development. On the basis of a given set of known parameters governing experimental guided missile operations, the entire area of the Soviet Union is being analyzed to determine which areas have the proper combination of geographical elements--such as surface configuration, climate, water, settlement patterns, transportation facilities--required for the physical location of ICBM and IRBM ranges. The conclusions from these studies are submitted in support of the Soviet Guided Missile Research and Development Program, serving as guidance for the continued surveillance of Soviet activities in this field by the Intelligence Community.

2. Intelligence Support for Collection Activities

Due to the obsolescence or complete lack of city plans and street guides for many centers in the Soviet Union, military attaches and other collection personnel have been seriously handicapped in their mission. At the request of ONI, USAF, and collection organs within the CIA, detailed city plans are prepared which specifically assist the field collector. Plans made for Moscow and Leningrad not only enable the service attaches and other personnel to find their way

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under any conditions, but help in locating particular Soviet activities and even specific buildings which house activities of intelligence interest. Returning personnel state that these city plans have been of extreme value as an aid to their own activities and as an item to barter with other friendly diplomatic missions in the USSR.

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Geographic realities have notably influenced these activities of the Soviet Union. We note, for example, that the ballyhooed "New Lands" program in agriculture attempts to enlarge the Soviet food supply by an organized exploitation of steppe lands which are comparable to the wheat-producing high plains of western Canada and the United States. In Egypt, we have seen a Soviet offer of support of the Aswan Dam which makes the fullest propaganda use of Egypt's pressing need for the enlargement of Nile Valley resources. Throughout the Middle East, South and East Asia, and the European Satellites, the activities of the Soviet Union have expressed her keen awareness of the factors of strategic location and resources as they serve Soviet ends and those of the Free World.

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